

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re Application of:

PRAVEEN SHARMA et al

Appln. No.: 09/429,003

Group Art Unit: 1655

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For: METHOD OF PREPARING A STANDARD DIAGNOSTIC
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Assistant Commissioner
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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment After Final is in response to the Office Action dated February 13, 2001, in the above-identified application for which a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time, along with payment of the appropriate fee is attached hereto, making response due on or before August 13, 2001.

The Patent Office is authorized to charge any fees necessary for the continued pendency of the above-identified application to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Accordingly, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 18. (Twice Amended) A method of obtaining isolated selected mRNA species or isolated selected cDNA species useful for diagnosing or identifying a disease or